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In re Appln. of: Jose A. Capote et al.

Appln. No.: 10/673,078

Filed: September 27, 2003

For: Method and Apparatus for
Treating Liquid Waste

Attorney Docket No: 11855/4

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Art Unit: 1724

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

No./Description	Date of Reference	Patentee/Applicant/ Assignee/Country
US 2004/0159366A1	August 2004	Tsangaris et al
Scope of Supply, Terms and Conditions, and Notice to Proceed regarding NCKU PTDR System	September 2002	N/A

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

Reference C2 listed on Form PTO-1449 describes a waste treatment system that was quoted in Taiwan in September 2002. Because the system was quoted in Taiwan, Applicants do not believe that it was the subject of a quotation "in this country" under 35 U.S.C. § 102, but are submitting it in an abundance of caution.

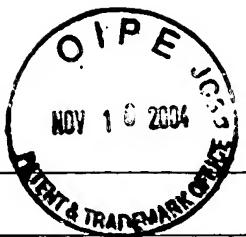
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Respectfully submitted,

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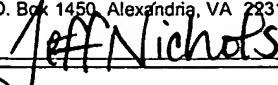
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